of people, including civilians and LTTE men, killed in Sri Lanka since the entry of IPKF there?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) and (b) The duration of IPKF's stay in Sri Lanka is linked with the implementation of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement. Based on Government's assessment of the ground situation, some withdrawals have already taken place, and we have announced that substantial numbers will be withdrawn in the coming weeks. Since further withdrawals are contingent on developments on the ground, announcement of any specific time frame would not be possible.

(c) As on 15-4-1989, the strength of the IPKF in Sri Lanka as 48,000. Till that day 857 IPKF personnel had lost their lives. It is not possible to compile the statistical details of the number of militants killed and the number of civilians who have lost their lives as a consequence of LTTE's tactics of fighting from behind human shields of women and children and in densely populated urban areas.

Introduction of Helicopter service form Coimbatore to Ooty

833. SHRI K. V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to introduce Helicopter Service from Coimbatore to Ootacamund (Ooty); and

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Do not arise.

Report of Reorganisation Committee for National Institute of Public Co-operative and Child Development New Delhi

834. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had set up a Re-organisation Committee for National Institute of Public Coop. and Child Development, New Delhi (NIPCCED) and if so, whether any report has since been submitted by it and if so, what are the salient features thereof and follow up action taken thereon; and

(b) if no report has been received till now, what are the reasons for delay and whether a time limit would be fixed for the submission of the report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) No, Sir. The Government did not set up a Re-organisation Committee for the National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD). However, the Executive Council of the NIPCCD had set up a Reorganisation Committee. The Sub-Committee of the Reorganisation Committee submitted its Report in February, 1988 which was accepted by the Executive Council of the NIPCCD in its meeting held on 18 February, 1988. The salient features of the Re-organisation Committee's Report are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(b) The question does not arise.

Statement

Salient Features of the Report of the Committee on Reorganisation, NIPCCD:

(i) the child should be the focal point of all the activities of the Institute;

(ii) in the work of the Institute, the focus on the child should embrace the mother as she has the decisive role in the development of the child;

(iii) while ICDS has emerged as the most important programme for the development of child, the concern of the Institute in the areas of research, training and consultancy should not be confined merely to the ICDS. The Institute should work in a much wider area viz, the integrated development of the child and mother in its most comprehensive and varied forms;

(iv) in view of the very high importance that should be attached to women, their legal, economic and social rights and the magnitude of the work involved in planning for their development there was need for a separate National Institute for Women's Development;

(v) the Committee recommended that the Institute should have two main Departments (i) the Mother and Child Development Department and (ii) the Training and Common Services Department. The former will have three divisions viz. Child Development; Mother Care; and Public Cooperation. The latter will also have three divisions viz. Training; Monitoring and Evaluation; and Common Services. Each Department should be headed by an Additional Director. The Committee recommended creation of two posts of Additional Directors to head these Departments; and

(vi) the Committee made recommendations on rationalising the modes of recruitment to academic, professional and administrative posts at various levels and made provision for avenues of promotion for different categories of academic and administrative staff.

Indian Nationals in Pak Jails

835. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA JAYAWANTRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pakistan Embassy at New Delhi has refuted charges made by the Indian Govrenment in connection with the Indian Nationals in Pakistan jails as reported in the Indian Express dated 5th April, 1989;

(b) if so, what are the facts thereof; and Government's reaction in this regard;

(c) whether Government propose to have a dialogue with the Pakistan Government in this regard in the near future; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) The Pakistan Embassy in New Delhi refuted a certain statement, alleged to have been made by an official of the Indian Embassy, in Islamabad, which in fact had never been made.

(b) It is confirmed that no such statement was made by any Indian Embassy official.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Streamlining the air services at Calicut

836. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken to streamline the present air services at Calicut Airport by introducing additional direct flights to Bombay and airlinking Calicut to Gulf countries by direct flights; and